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- 8. ANOTHER INDICATOR OF DISSATISFACTION IS FREQUENCY OF SPEAKERS' EFFORTS BOTH (A) TO MOLLIFY THE MANY REJECTED CANDIDATES AND THEIR SUPPORTERS BY POINTING OUT THAT MANY MORE QUALIFIED CANDIDATES WERE PRESENTED THAN THERE WERE SEATS TO BE FILLED, AND (B) TO REMIND THEM THAT NO INDIVIDUAL HAS THE RIGHT TO ANY PUCTICULAR POST AND ALL MUST RESPECT THE PARTY'S DECISIONS.
- 9. COMMENT. ELECTION CAMPAIGN HAS EVOKED NEITHER STRONG ENTHUSIASM WHICH OFFICIAL CAMEROON MEDIA TRYING PROJECT NOR INTENSE NEGATIVE REACTIONS WITH POSSIBILITY SIGNIFICANT CONSEQUENCES. IT SERVES PRUPOSE OF GIVING AT LEAST SOME CAMEROONIANS ADDED FEELING OF PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL PROCESS. IT ALSO, OF COURSE, WILL CREATE NATIONAL LEGISLATURE, BOTH TO TAKE ITS ASSIGNED ROLE IN GOVERNMENTAL PROCESS AND TO GIVE CAMEROON ADDED RESPECTABILITY VIS- A- VIS EXTERIOR (E. G. SOME GURC OFFICIALS SENSITIVE ABOUT BEING ABLE MAINTAIN STATUS IN IPU). NEW NATIONAL ASSEMBLY COULD BE USEFUL TOOL IN TWO- WAY COMMUNICATION ROLE OUTLINED BY PRESIDENT, BUT ALMOST CERTAINLY WILL PROVE DOCILE INSTITUTION WHICH WILL REPRESENT NO CHANGE FROM PRESENT SYSTEM OF HOLDING POWER CLOSE IN HANDS OF PRESIDENT AND HIS SMALL INNER CIRCLE.

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